GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2767
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2002
OIL RESERVES IN NORTH EASTERN STATES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): whether there is any petrol reserves in North-Eastern States and Sikkim alongwith the number of pumps installed to pump out petrol in those States;

(b): whether any zones were constituted on exploration work for petrol with joint venture;

(c): if so, the details in this regard; and

(d): the break up of share of such ventures along with loss suffered by the Government, if any, in the exploration work?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2767 to be answered on 1.8.2002 regarding oil reserves in North-Eastern States

(a): As on 1.4.2002, ultimate reserves of oil in the North-Eastern States belonging toNational Oil Companies and private/joint venture companies are about 344 Million Metric Tonne (MMT).No hydrocarbon reserves have been established so far in the State of Sikkim. A total of 853 wells are on production in the North-Eastern States as on 1.4.2002.

(b) to (d): Production Sharing Contracts (PSCs) have been signed for four exploration blocks with private/joint venture companies in North-Eastern States, as per the details given below:-

Sl. No.	Block	States	Consortium	Participating interest
1.	AA-ON-7	Assam & Nagaland	Assam Company Ltd.	35%
			Canaro Resources Ltd.	35%
			Centurion Energy International Inc.	30%
2.	AAP-ON-94/1	Assam & Arunachal Pr.	Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Ltd.(HOEC)	80% 10%
			Oil India Ltd.(OIL)	
			General Fibers Pvt.Ltd.	10%
3.	CR-ON-90/1	Assam & Mizoram	Essar Oil Ltd.	55%
			HOEC	20%
			Tullow India Operations Ltd.	25%
4.	AS-ONN-2000/1	Assam	Reliance Industries Ltd.	90%
			Hardy Exploration & Production India	10%

No loss has been suffered by the Government in exploration work.